# EXTENSIONS OF REMARKS

HONORING U.S. VETERAN SERAFINA L. DE LOS SANTOS

## HON. JOAQUIN CASTRO

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, November 10, 2022

Mr. CASTRO of Texas. Madam Speaker, today, I rise in honor of military veteran and retiree Ms. Serafina L. De Los Santos for her years of service to the United States and our San Antonio community. Ms. De Los Santos graciously served on my 2019 Military Service Academy Nomination Board and played an essential role in helping local students begin their military careers.

A native of Brownsville, Texas, Ms. De Los Santos enlisted in the Air Force in 1977 and served until 1982.

In 1986, she graduated from the University of Houston with a Bachelor of Science in Political Science and joined the Army as an Officer

In 1996, Ms. De Los Santos earned a Master of Science in Management/Logistics Management at the Florida Institute of Technology and during that same year completed a Logistics Executive Development Course in Fort Lee, Virginia. In 1999, she attended the Command and General Staff College in Leavenworth, Kansas.

In 2004, Ms. De Los Santos began her civil service career at the Department of the Army Civilian as the Senior Logistics Officer for the 470th Military Intelligence Brigade in Fort Sam Houston, Texas.

Four years later, in 2008, Ms. De Los Santos served as the Plans Officer and then as the Executive Officer for Fort Sam Houston Army Garrison, working on the Joint Base San Antonio transformation and implementation.

In October 2010, Ms. De Los Santos became a Department of the Air Force Civilian as part of the Joint Base-San Antonio transformation. She served as Deputy for Installation Support of the 502nd Mission Support Group, Joint Base-San Antonio, Fort Sam Houston.

Ms. De Los Santos currently serves as the Executive Director for the 502nd Force Support Group (FSG) at Joint Base San Antonio. FSG includes JBSA-Randolph, JBSA-Lackland, JBSA-Fort Sam Houston, and JBSA-Camp Bullis.

Ms. De Los Santos oversees JBSA's Community Partnership for Transitioning Service Members, Military Spouses and Family Programs. She also works as the Chair of the Workforce and Transition Alliance.

Madam Speaker, I am proud to recognize Serafina De Los Santos for her past and present contributions to our Nation and community. Her experience and commitment to civil service have helped usher in the next generation of military leaders. May we look to her leadership as the quintessence of true patriotism. I wish her continued success.

AWARDING STAFF SERGEANT JOHNNY KIRK A CONGRESSIONAL VETERAN COMMENDATION

## HON. PAT FALLON

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Thursday, November 10, 2022

Mr. FALLON. Madam Speaker, I am honored and privileged to award Staff Sergeant Johnny Kirk with a Congressional Veteran Commendation. His service and sacrifice through the United States Air Force exemplify his national pride and embodiment as a rolemodel citizen to serve the country he loves. Staff Sergeant Kirk is truly an ideal candidate to receive the Congressional Veteran Commendation.

Staff Sergeant Kirk served in the Vietnam War as a weapons specialist where he loaded ammunition and rockets onto OV-10s. He also performed as a spotter in the OV-10s, directing artillery fire and close air support needs. He served a total of fifteen months in Vietnam including twelve months with no leave.

Staff Sergeant Kirk's tour of duty was unexpectedly extended an extra three months. Yet, he maintained his quality of service as a patriot without complaint. To express the sacrifice made, Staff Sergeant Kirk's tour in Vietnam caused him to be classified as a disabled veteran due to Agent Orange exposure.

After discharge, Staff Sergeant Kirk became a CPS investigator and served many years as a CPS Investigative Supervisor. His work in training other investigators has affected every law enforcement agency in Grayson County. In addition, he has taught Texas Family Code and investigation classes at the Grayson County Police Academy.

After retiring from the CPS Investigative Agency after 26 years, Staff Sergeant Kirk has become an ordained Baptist Minister and continues to teach Sexual Assault Prevention classes to the public.

I am beyond honored to have Staff Sergeant Kirk in Texas' 4th Congressional District and am privileged to award such a distinguished citizen for his sacrifices.

CELEBRATING 40 YEARS OF NEIGHBORHOOD MINISTRIES

## HON. RUBEN GALLEGO

OF ARIZONA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Thursday, November 10, 2022

Mr. GALLEGO. Madam Speaker, I rise to recognize Neighborhood Ministries, which is celebrating its 40th anniversary this year.

Founded in 1982 by Kit Danley, who remains President of the organization today, Neighborhood Ministries has continuously aided the Phoenix community from the day it opened. The organization has found success in broadening its reach through four crucial programs. Those programs are Neighbors at

Work, Neighborhood Family Services, Neighborhood Spiritual Development, and Education for Life. These programs focus on at-risk youth and young adults in obtaining employment, providing families with the basic needs of life, creating opportunities for people to explore their faith and spirituality, and education assistance in pursuit of providing an educational and mentoring support system.

Neighborhood Ministries through their core values of Incarnational Love, Leadership Development, Work of Justice, Community, and many others has been able to effect "whole generations of families [that] have forever been changed by being shown a way out of the cycle of poverty that grips most urban communities," in its 40 years of existence.

I would like to again congratulate Neighborhood Ministries on 40 years of faith and service

CELEBRATING CECILIA "MAMA CHILA" DELGADO

## HON. J. LUIS CORREA

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, November 10, 2022

Mr. CORREA. Madam Speaker, I rise today to celebrate the exemplary life of Cecilia "Mama Chila" Delgado, who celebrated her 100th birthday on November 16, 2022. Born in the small town of Cueramaro, Guanajuato, Mexico, Cecilia Delgado has lived 100 years with honor, integrity, respect and grace, while still residing in her own home in Anaheim, California.

The oldest of seven siblings, her parents, Pedro and Josefa Delgado, an immigrant farmer-working couple who were seeking a better life for their family, brought Cecilia to the United States when she was age 2 months. As a young girl, she entered public school and finished at Orange High School. Cecilia embraced her education by doing well in school, playing sports, and learning how to play the violin, guitar and mandolin. She still loves and continues to play her mandolin.

During the Great Depression, her family returned to Mexico to live. As an 18-year-old teen, Cecilia found a new life in a new country. She married Pablo Bravo and had five children. Unfortunately, her husband perished in a tragic work-related accident that left her as a 32-year-old widow.

With five young children, ranging in age from 1- to 10-years-old, Cecilia made a difficult decision to return to Orange County, California, where she had grown up and where she knew she could find employment to provide for her family. Being bilingual and biliterate, and extremely hard working, she immediately landed a job as a stitcher at Van's, a tennis shoe factory in Anaheim. She supplemented her income cleaning houses. By working two jobs, she provided her children economic stability, coupled with love and comfort, for the duration of their lives.

• This "bullet" symbol identifies statements or insertions which are not spoken by a Member of the Senate on the floor. Matter set in this typeface indicates words inserted or appended, rather than spoken, by a Member of the House on the floor. Mama Chila's success at achieving the American Dream has created a legacy for her 5 children, 12 grandchildren, 21 great-grandchildren, and 2 great-great-grandchildren. Her greatest joy is her family, and she beams with pride and joy as she sees them living accomplished, productive lives, with nearly every child within the third generation graduating college or on their way to receiving bachelor's and master's degrees.

A caring, polite, smart, well-dressed, and classy lady, Mama Chila continually says that she may not remember what she had for dinner, but that "nothing hurts," for which she is grateful.

This centurion woman is remarkable, and her family hopes she will live to be a 103-years-old like her padre, for whom she cared for, as well as her mother, until their eternal rest

Madam Speaker, it is my great privilege to honor this humble, hard-working woman. It is women and madres like Cecilia "Mama Chila" Delgado who help make our country great by serving as role models to their children and community. She and her multi-generational family are a shining example of how immigrants seeking the American Dream have made our nation stronger.

AWARDING SEAMAN JAMES "JESSIE" MURPHEY A CONGRESSIONAL VETERAN COMMENDATION

## HON. PAT FALLON

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, November 10, 2022

Mr. FALLON. Madam Speaker, I am honored and privileged to award Seaman James Murphey with a Congressional Veteran Commendation. His service and sacrifice through the United States Navy exemplify his national pride and embodiment as a role-model citizen to serve the country he loves. Seaman Murphey is truly an ideal candidate to receive the Congressional Veteran Commendation.

Seaman Murphey is a true American patriot who served during the Korean war. He was aboard the USS *Seminole* which transported many prisoners of war. The ship was considered an attack cargo ship and the *Seminole* won herself the distinction for being one of the busiest cargo handling vessels throughout WWII and the Korean war.

Seaman Murphey stepped up to the challenge when his country needed him the most. With no complaint, Seaman Murphey entered the Korean war with patriotism and grit. As a Storekeeper, his various responsibilities revolved around maintaining the ship.

Seaman Murphey is a man who has lived a life full of perseverance and the mindset of never backing down from hardships. But maybe most important of all, Seaman Murphey is a true family man, sometimes working two or three jobs at once to support his wife and four children.

I am beyond honored to have Seaman Murphey in Texas' 4th Congressional District and am privileged to award such a distinguished citizen for his sacrifices. HONORING THE 160TH ANNIVER- TRIBUTE TO LARRY HASSETT ON SARY OF THE BEER INSTITUTE HIS RETIREMENT FROM THE

#### HON. RODNEY DAVIS

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, November 10, 2022

Mr. RODNEY DAVIS of Illinois. Madam Speaker, today, I would like to commemorate the 160th anniversary of the Beer Institute, one of our nation's oldest trade associations, which represents the \$331 billion beer industry—an industry that employs more than two million Americans. Founded on November 12, 1862, the Beer Institute has advocated on behalf of the beer industry for nearly two-thirds of our nation's history. As a Beer Institute 2022 Beer Champion myself, I am proud of my long and accomplished relationship with the Institute and have genuinely enjoyed the many years of advocating with the Institute for such a vital and growing industry.

160 years ago-amid the Civil War-representatives from 37 breweries met in New York City to address a new federal excise tax on beer to fund the war effort. With a primary focus on fair taxation, they formed the United States Brewers Association (USBA). In 1920, when the federal government instituted Prohibition, the USBA worked with brewers to adapt to and survive these changing political realities. Thankfully, in 1933, Prohibition was repealed under the leadership of President Franklin Delano Roosevelt. Following the close of the Second World War, the beer industry wanted to demonstrate that beer has a place in everyday life. The USBA launched an iconic advertising campaign, "Beer Belongs," which depicted men and women enjoying beer as an integral part of the American way of life. The middle of the 20th century also saw the advent of light beer and aluminum cans, which changed the face of the industry we know today.

The USBA officially reorganized into the Beer Institute in 1986, opening membership to beer importers and industry suppliers. With a new name and infrastructure, the Beer Institute was ready to take on the challenges of the 21st century.

Today, the Beer Institute continues to advocate for sound public policy and fair tax and regulatory frameworks for brewers and beer importers. True to its roots, the Beer Institute was pivotal in the passage of the Craft Beverage Modernization and Tax Reform Act, a bill which I cosponsored and strongly supported. This legislation provided a historic excise tax reduction for brewers and importers of all sizes, reaffirmed that not all alcohol beverages are the same and allowed them to reinvest in their businesses and their people. The Beer Institute also takes a leadership role in promoting responsible alcohol advertising and marketing, as well as the moderate consumption of alcohol, including an increasing number of low- and no-alcohol beers.

I am proud of the beer industry's massive economic and cultural impact on our nation. As a man who enjoys a cold American-made beer, specifically Busch Light, I am forever grateful for the Beer Institute's long and storied history of supporting one of our nation's most cherished industries. I offer them the best for the next 160 years. Cheers.

FRIBUTE TO LARRY HASSETT ON HIS RETIREMENT FROM THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE MIDPENINSULA REGIONAL OPEN SPACE DISTRICT

#### HON. ANNA G. ESHOO

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Thursday, November 10, 2022

Ms. ESHOO. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor Larry Hassett as he retires from his position as a Director of the Board of the Midpeninsula Regional Open Space District (Midpen). Larry represents Ward Six which is comprised of the communities of Atherton, La Honda, Ladera, Loma Mar, Menlo Park, North Fair Oaks, Pescadero, Portola Valley, Redwood City, West Menlo Park and Woodside.

Larry Hassett was first appointed to the Midpen Board in 2000. Since that time he has served with great distinction furthering Midpen's goal of helping people, plants and animals thrive by preserving a connected greenbelt of more than 65,000 acres in the greater Santa Cruz Mountains region.

Larry was born in Minnesota, grew up in San Carlos, California, and has lived in the South Skyline Area since 1977. He is a 1973 graduate of San Jose State University where he earned a B.A. degree in Environmental Studies.

Known and beloved in our community, Larry Hassett is the former owner of several hardware stores. Upon his retirement in 2012, he transferred ownership to his two sons.

Larry has given generously of his time and considerable talents to his community, serving as a Director of Achieve, the Palo Alto Recreation Foundation, the Palo Alto Chamber of Commerce, the Museum of American Heritage, Leadership Mid-Peninsula, the Peninsula Conservation Center, Rotary and Kiwanis.

Madam Speaker, I ask the entire House of Representatives to join me in thanking Larry Hassett for his extraordinary service as a Member of the Board of the Midpeninsula Regional Open Space District. He is truly a national treasure and a cherished constituent.

AWARDING LIEUTENANT COLONEL DUDLEY NOSWORTHY A CONGRESSIONAL VETERAN COMMENDATION

## HON. PAT FALLON

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Thursday, November 10, 2022

Mr. FALLON. Madam Speaker, I am honored and privileged to award Lieutenant Colonel Dudley Nosworthy with a Congressional Veteran Commendation. His service and sacrifice through the United States Army and United States Army National Guard exemplify his national pride and embodiment as a rolemodel citizen to serve the country he loves. Lieutenant Colonel Nosworthy is truly an ideal candidate to receive the Congressional Veteran Commendation.

Lieutenant Colonel Nosworthy served in Infantry Leadership Assignments as a Platoon Leader, Company Executive Officer, Company Commander, and Battalion Executive. His responsibilities included training soldiers in Civil